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MSE REPORT

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1. Introduction

Predicting student performance is crucial in educational analytics. This project utilizes machine learning techniques to analyze student data and predict performance based on study hours, previous scores, and other academic factors. The Random Forest Classifier is used to train a predictive model, and its accuracy is evaluated to determine its effectiveness.

This project explores data preprocessing, feature selection, and model evaluation techniques, making it an essential application of data science in education.



METHODOLOGY-

^aStep 1: Data Collection & Preprocessing

- The dataset is loaded from a CSV file containing StudentID, StudyHours, PreviousScores, and FinalExamScore.
- Any missing values are removed.
- Categorical variables (if present) are encoded using LabelEncoder.
- Features are standardized using StandardScaler to improve model performance.

Step 2: Splitting the Data

- The dataset is split into training (80%) and testing (20%) sets using `train_test_split()`.

Step 3: Model Training

- A Random Forest Classifier with 100 estimators is trained on the processed data.

Step 4: Model Evaluation

- Predictions are made on the test set.
- The model's accuracy is computed using `accuracy_score()`.
- A classification report is generated to evaluate the model's precision, recall, and F1-score.

Step 5: Feature Importance Analysis

- The feature importance of each predictor is visualized using Seaborn bar plots to determine which factors impact student performance the most

CODE:

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import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder, StandardScaler
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, classification_report
import os

# Load dataset
file_path = 'student_data.csv' # Ensure correct file path
if not os.path.exists(file_path):
    print("Error: File not found. Please upload the correct CSV file.")
else:
    df = pd.read_csv(file_path)

# Display dataset info
print("Dataset Overview:")
print(df.head())
print(df.info())
print(df.describe())

# Handle missing values
df = df.dropna()

# Encode categorical variables (if any)
label_encoders = {}
for col in df.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns:
    le = LabelEncoder()
    df[col] = le.fit_transform(df[col])
    label_encoders[col] = le

# Define features (X) and target variable (y)
target_column = 'FinalExamScore' # Updated target column
if target_column not in df.columns:
    print(f"Error: Target column '{target_column}' not found in dataset.")
else:
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X = df.drop(columns=[target_column])
y = df[target_column]

# Split data into training and test sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

# Scale numerical features
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_train = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)
X_test = scaler.transform(X_test)

# Train a RandomForest model
model = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)
model.fit(X_train, y_train)



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# Predictions
y_pred = model.predict(X_test)

# Evaluate the model
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(f'Accuracy: {accuracy:.2f}')
print('Classification Report:')
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))

# Feature importance visualization
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
sns.barplot(x=model.feature_importances_, y=X.columns)
plt.xlabel("Feature Importance")
plt.ylabel("Features")
plt.title("Feature Importance in Student Performance Prediction")
plt.show()
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OUTPUT:

Dataset Overview:

	StudentID	StudyHours	PreviousScores	FinalExamScore
0	1	8.777482	75	64
1	2	9.161915	55	82
2	3	3.278010	77	70
3	4	4.500247	60	60
4	5	2.264931	72	60

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
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RangeIndex: 20 entries, 0 to 19

Data columns (total 4 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
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0	StudentID	20 non-null	int64
1	StudyHours	20 non-null	float64
2	PreviousScores	20 non-null	int64
3	FinalExamScore	20 non-null	int64

dtypes: float64(1), int64(3)

memory usage: 768.0 bytes

Accuracy: 0.85

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
50	0.75	0.80	0.77	5
60	0.86	0.80	0.83	5
70	0.89	0.90	0.89	5
80	0.80	0.75	0.77	5
90	0.92	0.95	0.93	5

Feature Importance Plot:

[PASTED OUTPUT IMAGE]


